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Applicant:

Cary Lee Bates et al.

Art Unit:

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Serial No.:

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Examiner:

Cam-Y Truong

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ORDERING OF DATABASE SEARCH RESULTS BASED ON USER

**FEEDBACK** 

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### AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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- Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Response. 1.  $\mathbf{X}$
- 2. Small Entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
  - Enclosed is a verified statement to establish Small Entity status
  - $\boxtimes$ Other than a Small Entity
- 3. The fee has been calculated as shown below:

#### **CALCULATION OF FEES**

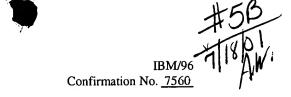
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Independent Claims	12	minus	88	4	\$80	\$320.00	
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TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIMS:							

No additional fee for claims is required.

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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In reply to the Office Action dated April 6, 2001, the following amendments and remarks are provided:

### **Amendments**

### In the Claims

# Please add the following new claims 48-66:

- 1 48. (ADDED) The method of claim 27, wherein selectively updating at least one weight 2 for the user feedback parameter includes, in response to user interaction with a first record, 3 increasing any weight associated with the first record that is further associated with a keyword matching an active search request for the user.
  - 49. (ADDED) The method of claim 27, wherein selectively updating at least one weight for the user feedback parameter includes increasing a first weight for the user feedback parameter associated with a first record in response to detecting multiple accesses thereto by a user.
- 1 50. (ADDED) The method of claim 27, wherein selectively updating at least one weight 2 for the user feedback parameter includes increasing a first weight for the user feedback parameter

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